

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION DUTIES

FOR PERSONS IN DHMH FACILITIES SUBJECT TO THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION LAW

(Maryland Code, Criminal Procedure Article (CP), §§ 11-701 to 11-727)

As a convicted \square Tier I Sex Offender \square Tier II Sex Offender \square Tier III Sex Offender or \square Sexually Violent Predator, you are subject to the requirements of the State's sex offender registration law, Criminal Procedure §§ 11-701 to 11-727.

Terms You Need to Understand:

"County" means the 23 counties of Maryland and Baltimore City. Each of these 24 jurisdictions has a designated police agency where you are required to report in person according to your Tier classification. Staff will let you know which local police you will have to report to.

"Habitually reside or live" means any place where you live, sleep, or visit with any regularity, including where you are stationed during the day or sleep at night, and includes any place where you visit for longer than 5 hours per visit more than 5 times within a 30-day period.

(1) INITIAL REGISTRATION: As a person found guilty of a sex offense and committed to this Department as not criminally responsible, you must register with the Sex Offender Registry at or before your first entry into community without direct and continuous supervision by DHMH personnel. This Department is your supervising authority and will oversee your initial registration. To register, you must complete a Registration Statement, be photographed, fingerprinted, and have palm prints taken, all of which will be forwarded to other State and local agencies as required by law. If you have not submitted a DNA sample as defined in Public Safety § 2-501, a DNA sample will be required at the time of your initial registration.

In addition, within 3 days of your initial registration, you must register in person with the designated local law enforcement unit (local police or sheriff) in every county where you habitually reside.

A local law enforcement unit may require more information than is asked for on the Registration Statement, such as a copy of your passport, immigration papers, Social Security number, and vehicle and telephone information.

- (2) NEW ARREST AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2010: If you incur a new conviction for a felony after October 1, 2010 and have a prior conviction for an offense for which registration as a sex offender is required, or if you are convicted of the sexual solicitation of a minor after October 1, 2010, you must re-register with each designated local law enforcement unit in every county where you habitually reside
- (3) **PERIODIC REGISTRATION:** In addition to the initial registration described in subsection (1), you must continue to register as follows:
- Tier I Sex Offender: in person, every 6 months for 15 years with each designated local law enforcement unit of the county where you habitually reside.
- Tier II Sex Offender: in person, every 6 months for 25 years with each designated local law enforcement unit of the county where you habitually reside.
- Tier III Sex Offender: in person, every 3 months for life with each designated local law enforcement unit of the county where you habitually reside.
- Sexually Violent Predator: in person every 3 months with each designated local law enforcement unit of the county where you habitually reside for the length of time determined by your designated Tier: 15 years for Tier I; 25 years for Tier II; and lifetime for Tier III.



- **Homeless**: Regardless of your Tier classification, if you become homeless, you must register in person *weekly* with the local law enforcement unit in *each* county where you habitually reside.
- (4) CHANGE OF EDUCATIONAL STATUS: Within 3 days after enrolling or terminating enrollment as a full-time or part-time student at an institution of higher education in Maryland, or within 3 days of commencing or terminating employment at the institution of higher learning, you must a) provide notice in person to the local law enforcement unit where the institution of higher education is located and b) if you enroll in an institution in another state with a registration requirement, register in person with the law enforcement unit or Sex Offender Registration Unit designated by that state.
- (5) CHANGE OF EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Within 3 days after you begin employment in Maryland and within 3 days after you terminate employment, you must a) notify the local law enforcement unit where you most recently registered and each local law enforcement unit where you will habitually reside or habitually live and b) if you become employed in another state with a registration requirement, register in person with the law enforcement unit or Sex Offender Registration Unit designated by that state.
- **(6) CHANGE OF NAME:** Within 3 days after a Court grants you a legal change of name, you must give notice of the change in writing to the local law enforcement unit where you habitually reside or habitually live.
- (7) CHANGE OF RESIDENCE: Within 3 days after you change your residence or the county in which you habitually live, you must: a) give notice of the change in writing or in person to each local law enforcement unit where you habitually reside or habitually live; and b) if your new address is in another state with a registration requirement, register with the law enforcement unit or Sex Offender Registration Unit designated by that state.
- (8) CHANGE OF RESIDENCE OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES TO RESIDE, WORK, OR ATTEND SCHOOL: At least 3 days prior to leaving the United States to commence residence, employment, or attend school, you must: a) give notice either in writing or in person to each local law enforcement unit where you habitually reside or habitually live and b) if your new address is in another country with a registration requirement, register with the law enforcement unit or Sex Offender Registration Unit designated by that country.
- (9) ABSENCE OF MORE THAN 7 DAYS / TEMPORARY RESIDENCE / ALTERED LOCATION OF RESIDENCE FOR MORE THAN 5 DAYS: Prior to obtaining a temporary residence, commencing the period of absence, or temporarily altering a location where you habitually reside or habitually live, you must notify each law enforcement unit where you habitually reside or habitually live in writing or in person and include (a) the temporary address or a detailed description of the temporary location where you will habitually reside or habitually live (b) the anticipated dates that you will be absent from your permanent residence or the locations where you regularly habitually reside or habitually live.
- (10) NEW ELECTRONIC MAIL ADDRESS, COMPUTER LOG-IN, SCREEN NAME, IDENTITY, INSTANT MESSAGE OR CHAT ROOM IDENTITY: Within 3 days after you establish or change your electronic information, you must give the State Sex Offender Registry written notice of the new information.
- (11) NEW HOME OR CELL PHONE NUMBERS: Within 3 days after you establish or change your home or cell phone number, you must notify the local law enforcement unit where you most recently registered and each local law enforcement unit where you will habitually reside or habitually live.
- (12) CHANGE OF VEHICLE OR LICENSE PLATE INFORMATION: Within 3 days after you acquire or change your vehicle or license plate information, you must notify the local law enforcement unit where you most recently registered and each local law enforcement unit where you will habitually reside or habitually live.
- (13) HOMELESS REGISTRANTS: Within 3 days of registering with the supervising authority and within 3 days after entering and remaining in a county, you must register in person with the law enforcement unit in each county where you habitually live and reregister *once a week in person* while habitually living in the county. Within 3 days after obtaining a permanent address, you must register with your supervising authority and each local law enforcement unit where you will habitually reside. These registration requirements are in addition to any other requirements for your classification.



- (14) RELEASE FROM JAIL OR PRISON: All releases from any period of incarceration or arrest must be reported within three days to the local law enforcement unit in each county where you habitually reside.
- (15) SCHOOLS AND CHILD CARE CENTERS ARE PROHIBITED AREAS. I understand I may not knowingly enter the real property of (the grounds around) a public or nonpublic elementary or secondary school, or of a child care center (a registered family day care home, child care center, or licensed child care institution). This is a crime with serious consequences.
- (16) PENALTIES: Knowingly failing to register; knowingly failing to provide notice of a change of residence, county, educational status, employment, name, electronic identification information, vehicle or license plate information, home or cell phone numbers; knowingly fail to provide required information in a registration statement; or, knowingly providing false information of a material fact is a misdemeanor for which prosecution may be brought at any time and, on conviction, you can be imprisoned up to 3 years and/or fined up to \$5,000; for a second or subsequent offense, is guilty of a felony and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 5 years and/or fined up to \$10,000. In addition, the conviction will be reported to the State Board of Election, disqualifying you to vote as provided by law. Federal law requires that if you change your residence to another state, you must register with the sex offender registry of that state, and you must comply with any registration requirements in the new state of residence. 18 USC § 2250. Violation of this requirement will be investigated by the FBI and conviction can result in a fine or a sentence of up to ten years or both.
- (17) DISSEMINATION OF DATA: In addition to any dissemination otherwise allowed by law, CP §§ 11-701 to 11-727 allow and, in some instances, require Registration Statements and/or data, fingerprints, palm prints, updated digital images, photographs, and verification forms be sent to: the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS), a county and/or campus municipal law enforcement unit, a law enforcement unit in another state, school superintendent(s), school principal(s), victim(s), or parent(s) or legal guardian(s), witness(es), and members of the public.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I hereby acknowledge that a staff member of this DHMH facility has explained to me the duties I have under the State's sex offender registration law and that I have received a copy of this Notice. I understand that these duties are in addition to any duties I may have as a result of supervision by Community Supervision, DPSCS, as a result of other convictions.

Registrant's Signature	Date
Printed or Typed Full Legal Name of Registrant Street Address or Description	
City State Zip Code	
Signature of Responsible DHMH Staff	Date
Printed or Typed Name of DHMH Staff	

